

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002

**PUBLIC HEARING**

concerning

TENTATIVE RESCISSION OF CEASE AND DESIST ORDER NO. R5-2006-0010  
for

**CITY OF WILLOWS AND ECO RESOURCES, INC.  
WILLOWS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT  
GLENN COUNTY**

The City of Willows owns a wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal system, and provides sewerage service to the City of Willows and the Northeast Willows Community Service District. ECO Resources, Inc. operates the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). Upgrades were completed that increased the level of treatment provided by the WWTP to meet requirements of the existing Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs). The upgrades included influent screening, extended aeration activated sludge with secondary clarifiers, continuous backwash filters, disinfection/dechlorination, equalization and emergency storage ponds, and sludge storage lagoons. The existing permit required the WWTP effluent to comply with Department of Health Services Recycled Water Regulations. Prior to the upgrade, an average of 1.22 million gallons per day of treated municipal wastewater was discharged to Agricultural Drain C (Discharge Point 001). After the upgrade was complete the Discharger was permitted to discharge to the Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District Lateral 26-2 (Discharge Point 002). Both Agricultural Drain C and Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District Lateral 26-2 are tributary to the Colusa Basin Drain. The existing WDRs extended the time for completing the upgrades from the 1 March 2006 deadline in the existing WDRs until 1 March 2007 because of difficulties the Discharger experienced in securing funding for the upgrades.

On 26 January 2006 the Regional Water Board adopted Cease and Desist No. R5-2006-0010, which provided a time schedule for the Discharger to comply with effluent limitations for ammonia by 1 March 2007. The Discharger completed construction of treatment plant upgrades to insure compliance with existing and proposed effluent limitations for ammonia. Compliance has been achieved and the Cease and Desist Order is no longer needed.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) meeting, which is scheduled for:

DATE: **23/24 April 2009**  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114

Known designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Staff of the Regional Water Board
- City of Willows
- ECO Resources, Inc.

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Regional Board and must be received no later than **noon on 13 March 2009**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item must submit evidence and/or comments in writing to the Regional Board no later than **noon on 13 March 2009**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **noon on 13 March 2009** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record, unless the Regional Board agrees to accept the evidence or comments and if doing so would not prejudice any party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross-examination will be limited in time by the Regional Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding this issue should contact Greg Cash at (530) 224-3208. Interested parties may download the proposed Orders and related documents from the Regional Board Internet website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_decisions/tentative\\_orders/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/). The proposed item and related documents may also be inspected and copied at the Regional Boards' office at 415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, California, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. You may contact **Greg Cash at (530) 224-3208** to arrange to review the files.

The procedures governing Regional Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\\_regulations/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/).

Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Board's website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml) or by contacting any one of the Regional Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

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Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

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James C. Pedri, P.E.  
Assistant Executive Officer

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